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# NEWS RELEASE

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## Pedestrian Safety Detail

The Beaverton Police Department will be conducting two Pedestrian Safety Details this month. The first one will be on Wednesday, January 15, 2014 between the hours of 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. and will be at the intersection of SW Watson Ave and SW 9<sup>th</sup> St. The second detail will be on Thursday, January 16, 2014 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at the intersection of SW 2<sup>nd</sup> St and SW Hall Blvd.

This detail will focus on vehicles failing to stop and remain stopped for pedestrians in a crosswalk. Motorists are reminded it's your lane plus six feet. Stop for the pedestrian, who must clear the lane you're turning into and at least 6 feet of the next lane, before you proceed. Please see the link for full text of the law at. <http://www.oregonlaws.org/ors/811.028>

The primary focus of this detail is to raise pedestrian safety awareness. Through the use of a decoy pedestrian, the Beaverton Police Department hopes to raise the awareness of drivers and pedestrians through education and enforcement of pedestrian right of way laws. Pedestrians are also reminded to wear bright colors and pay attention to the traffic flow when preparing to cross the road.

In our continued effort to provide options other than the standard citation, drivers receiving citations are given the option of taking a crosswalk diversion program hosted by the Beaverton Police Department.

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